

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of : Uwe Ries et al) Docket No.: 5/1266
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For : CARBOXYLIC ACID AMIDES, THE PREPARATION
THEREOF AND THEIR USE AS PHARMACEUTICAL
COMPOSITIONS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

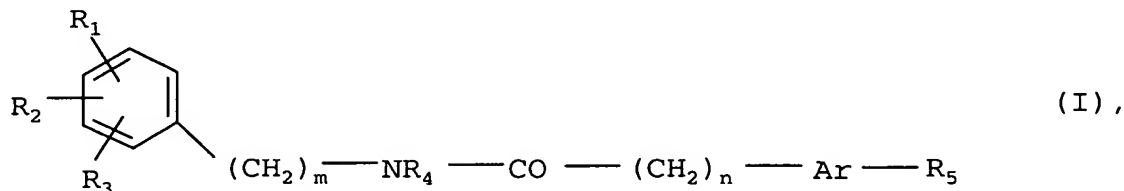
Sir:

Prior to examination please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

CLEAN COPY OF THE AMENDED CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A carboxylic acid amide compound of the following formula



wherein

one of the groups m or n denotes the number 0 and
the other group m or n denotes the number 1,

Ar denotes a phenylene or naphthylene group optionally substituted by a fluorine, chlorine or bromine atom, by a trifluoromethyl, C₁₋₃-alkyl, hydroxy, C₁₋₃-alkoxy, phenyl-C₁₋₃-alkoxy, amino, C₁₋₃-alkylamino or di-(C₁₋₃-alkyl)-amino group, said